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SUBJECT: INTERIM INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL
EDUCATION AND SPORT, UNESCO, PARIS, 5-13 JULY 1977

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1. SUBSTANTIVE WORK OF SUBJECT SESSION IS CONTINUING
UNDER THE THREE SUB-COMMITTEES DESCRIBED IN REFTEL A.

2. SUB-COMMITTEE I, AGENDA ITEMS 6 AND 7 (STATUTES OF
COMMITTEE AND FUND). ARTICLE BY ARTICLE CONSIDERATION
OF DOCUMENT ED-77/CONF. 208/5 PROCEEDING SLOWLY. DRAFT
AMENDMENTS INDICATE THERE ARE WIDELY DIFFERING POSI-
TIONS ON ISSUES OF: COMMITTEE'S ROLE VIS-A-VIS INTER-
NATIONAL SPORTS COMPETITIONS AND THE NUMBER AND DESIG-
NATION OF AD HOC SUB-COMMITTEES. MAIN ISSUE CONCERNING
DOCUMENT ED-77/CONF.208/6 WILL BE CHOICE OF VARIANTS
UNDER ARTICLE 4 (BROAD SOURCES OF FUNDS). MOST MEMBERS
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APPEAR TO FAVOR VARIANT B FOR ARTICLE 5 (COMMITTEE
MANAGEMENT).

3. SUB-COMMITTEE III, AGENDA ITEM 8 (CHARTER). ADOPTED
BY CONSENSUS THE FORM OF A DECLARATION FOR THE DRAFT
CHARTER ON PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT. LATER YUGO-
SLAVIA, SENEGAL AND TUNISIA (NOT PRESENT AT CONSENSUS)

PROTESTED, CALLING FOR A MORE BINDING STANDARD SETTING DOCUMENT. THE SUB-COMMITTEE RECORD WILL STATE THAT THE DECLARATION COULD LEAD TO ANOTHER STANDARD SETTING DOCUMENT AT A LATER TIME. A SUBSIDIARY WORKING GROUP WILL BE FORMED TO DRAFT A DRAFT DECLARATION. CHAIRMAN OF INTERIM COMMITTEE (CUBAN) HAS INDICATED HE WOULD LIKE A US REPRESENTATIVE ON WORKING GROUP. SUB-COMMITTEE HAS AGREED TO REVIEW OF DRAFT BY MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE PRIOR TO SECOND SESSION OF INTERIM COMMITTEE.

4. THE MAIN POLITICAL ISSUE EMERGING AT SUBJECT MEETING IS THE POTENTIAL EXTENT OF UNESCO'S ROLE IN THE REGULATION OF INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE SPORTS. THIRD WORLD NATIONS LED BY ALGERIA FAVOR UNESCO HAVING AT LEAST A PARTICIPATORY ROLE IN SUCH DECISION-MAKING. UK MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT HOWELL ARRIVES TODAY TO BE PRESENT DURING OPENING DEBATE ON AGENDA ITEM 9. UK DELEGATION REPORTS THAT HE WILL TAKE STRONG POSITION, EMPHASIZING AUTONOMOUS NATURE OF WORLD SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS AND RESISTING ANY ATTEMPTS OF THE COMMITTEE OR UNESCO TO INITIATE REGULATION OF SPORTS COMPETITIONS. USDEL PLANS TO SUPPORT UK POSITION.

5. SUB-COMMITTEE II (PROGRAM). DIFFICULT DEBATE RESULTED IN REQUEST TO RAPPOREUR TO PREPARE SINGLE DOCUMENT.

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